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(SBU) I would like to express my profound thanks to DRL, NEA and PM for their extraordinary effort to complete Leahy vetting requirements for the group of over 60 Emirati officials in less than 48 hours (reftels). The hard work of all involved, particularly of Alex Hoey in DRL and Maria Sisk in NEA/ARP, ensured that our Bulk Cash Smuggling training program was able began on February 21 as scheduled. This program is an essential component of our efforts to disrupt illicit financial flows in the region and is expected to pave the way for greater bilateral cooperation.
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